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Attachment 2

Notes on the NRO Programs:

1. Program C

This is the Navy organization for the [redacted] developed by [redacted] It is presumed that the Air Force [redacted] are developed somewhere under General Greer and that booster vehicles for Program C are also supplied on the West Coast, probably in SSD.

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Admiral Taylor is the formal Director of Program C and is supported by a staff [redacted] operational control; production control; NRO Liaison, and project fiscal planning. Presumably, the rest of the work is done [redacted] I did have the feeling that Colonel Northman was not clear exactly how Program C operated.

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2. Program D

This is run by Colonel Leo Geary and was originally devoted to supporting CIA aircraft operations. It was stated that Geary is supported only by a Security Officer and a Contracting Officer. I suspect that he relies on Wright Field for his development support. No further information on the responsibilities or resources of Program D was offered.

3. Program A

This is General Greer's organization for the development of all Air Force satellite systems. It is a small organization [redacted] who have project responsibility for all payloads except COMINT. An organization chart is given below which indicates the diversity of interests he has.

General Greer also has a second responsibility as Vice Commander of the Space Systems Division of the Air Force Systems Command under General Schriever. I gather that is only in the second role that he has direct authority over THOR Agents and ATLAS Agents boosting capabilities. Apparently General Greer has one hat in working for Secretary McNamara on reconnaissance payloads and another hat in working with SSD. I found this arrangement very confusing and question whether the separation is real or apparent.